

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, I would just say this amendment does help my support for it. Not that I was really against it but cats around the average farmstead are extremely hard to catch, and the alternative would really be to put them to death, because they are almost impossible to catch and I just wanted to interject that. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Dierks, your light is on next if you care to discuss the Lamb amendment.

SENATOR DIERKS: Well, I have discussed this at length with Senator Lamb and I think that we are willing to accept this amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Schellpeper.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would have a question I think for probably Senator Dierks. Would not the wild cats be more apt to have rabies than the tame cats?

SENATOR DIERKS: Oh, possibly, quite possibly, Senator Schellpeper. I think they have a tendency to mingle a little more with the wildlife, and in that same context they probably die an undiagnosed death out in the wild along with the skunks, and coon, and whoever else have it out there.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Thank you. That is all then.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Abboud, on the Lamb amendment. Question has been called. Do I see five hands? I do. Shall debate now close? Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Shall debate cease? Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Debate is ceased. Senator Lamb, closing statement.

SENATOR LAMB: Well, Mr. President and members, I think this has been discussed sufficiently. The amendment is just designed to distinguish from what you might call tame cats from wild cats because vaccinating the wild ones would be an impossible situation. So I would just ask for the adoption of the amendment, but Senator Landis would like to use some of my time.